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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

REPORT

Foreign Affairs Section,
C. & S. Branch.

Station/ File No.

Date December 28, 1942.

SUBJECT: Annual Election of Sikh National Society

The Sikh National Society held its meeting on 26-12-42 at 2 p.m. in 330 Paoshing Road. Chet Singh, president of the above society, told the members about the progress made by the Society and thanked the members for attending the meeting. Bishan Singh, secretary of the Society, read out the rules and regulation of making annual election.

Each member of the Society was one voting card. Thirty four men were nominated, but only 24 men who will have larger numbers of votes shall be successful. The twenty four selected men will elect their officers. The result of the voting is expected in a few days. About 70 men attended. There was no police man in those men who were nominated. The proceeding ended at 4 p.m.

The following is the list of nominated men:-

Names

Balwant Singh
Karnail Singh
Bishan Singh
Chet Singh
Sujjan Singh
Ajmer Singh
Chuhar Singh
Didar Singh
Jagat Singh Bhatia
Kapur Singh
Kishan Singh
Ajit Singh
Ranjit Singh
Nidhan Singh
Teja Singh
Naranjan Singh
Babu Singh

Names

Garbachan Singh
Harnam Singh
Bunta Singh
Bugga Singh
Udham Singh
Hari Singh
Take Singh
Kartar Singh
Dharm Singh
Hazara Singh
Surjan Singh
Chanan Singh
Sham Singh
Sarban Singh
Mala Singh
Jaginder Singh
Tara Singh

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Local Sikh Society Elects New Officers

The Sikh National Society of China held its annual general meeting at the offices of the Society, 330 Paoshing Road on Friday, January 15th 1943. After the reading of the Annual Reports and the rendering of the account of the Society, officials for the year 1943 were elected.

They are as follows:-

President	Chet Singh's/o Kala Singh. V. Bhadaur.
Vice President	Harnam Singh s/o Udham Singh. V. Sursingh.
Secretary	Bishan Singh s/o Ala Singh V. Brahmputra.
Vice Secretary	Tek Singh s/o Jiwan Singh V. Manki.
Treasurer	Bant Singh s/o Sucha Singh V. Jalaleana.
Vice Treasurer	Chuhar Singh s/o Giyan Singh V. Chhajjal Waddi.
Advisors:-	Karnail Singh s/o ? V. Sahmewal.
	Sajjan Singh s/o Ganda Singh V. Fatehpur.
	Babu Singh s/o Pala Singh V. Rumi.
	Udham Singh s/o Kehar Singh V. Basaukot.
	Gurbachan Singh s/o Kharak Singh V. Kot Gangu Rai.

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TELEGRAM ADDRESS: "SIKHS"

The Sikh National Society

P. O. Box 1646

Shanghai, January 16th, 1943

The Chief Inspector Incharge
Special branch of the S.M.P.
Headquarter (central Station)

Sir,

The annual general meeting of The Sikh National Society of China Shanghai was held on January, 15th, 1943 at the Society office 330 Paoshing road. After the reading of the annual report and accounts of the Society the following officials were unanimously elected for the year 1943.

M. Chet Singh Esq.	President
Harnam Singh "	Vice, President
Bishan Singh "	Secretary
Tek Singh "	Vice, Secretary
Balwant Singh "	Treasurer
Chuhar Singh "	Vice, Treasurer

Harnail Singh "	Advisor
Sajjan Singh "	"
Babu Singh "	"
Udham Singh "	"
Gurbachan Singh "	"

I remain
Yours respectfully
Bishan Singh, Hon. Sec., ty



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SUBJECT: RE SIKH NATIONAL SOCIETY

The Annual General meeting of the Sikh National Society was held at 4 p.m. on 15th January, 1943 at 330 Pooching Rd. After reading the annual reports and the accounts of the Society, The following were elected officials for 1943.

Chet SinghPresident
Harnam SinghVice-President
Bishen SinghSecretary
Tek SinghVice-Secretary
Belwant SinghTreasurer
Chuhar SinghVice-Treasurer
Karnail SinghAdvisor
Bajjan Singh "
Babu Singh "
Udham Singh "
Gurbachan Singh "

Meeting came to an end at about 6 p.m. which was attended by some 50 persons.

Narain Singh S.S.C. 406

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January 18, 1943.

SUBJECT: The Annual Election of Sikh National Society

With reference to report submitted on 28-12-42 the Sikh National Society held its meeting at 4 p.m. 15-1-43 in 330 Paoshing Road. On 28-12-43 thirty four members were nominated and twenty four from thirty four were re-elected on 15-1-43. The procedure was performed by votings.

S. Chet Singh urged the members of the society to give full backing to the Indian Independence League of Shanghai; so that they may carry on the programme set up by the League's headquarters at Bangkok.

The following is the list of officers and men of working committee:-

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>
S. Chet Singh	President
Harnam Singh	Vice President
Bishan Singh	Secretary
Tek Singh	Vice Secretary
Balwant Singh	Treasurer
Chuhar Singh	Vice Treasurer
Gurbachan Singh	Member
Baba Singh	"
Karnail Singh	"
Sujjan Singh	"
Udham Singh	"

The remaining 13 men are common members of the working committee.

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SUBJECT: Re: Sikh National Society.

Sikh National Society was established on 25th July 1942. Though it was announced that this society was as religious one, but actually it was a British agency to carry on the evil policy of "Divide and Rule". Its promoters were all British agents and M. Chet Singh Granthi was elected as their President. So they had aimed, that they will penetrate into the Political body through it. In the meantime it became prosperous as among Indians the Sikhs have majority in Shanghai. As there were four different societies of Indians in Shanghai, the Japanese authorities made Indian Independence League dissolving all four. Mr. Hongo and Niwa invited two members from each society. Dr. Daya Ram Mehtani was elected president by voting among those 8 members. But owing to the Sikh majority and some other reasons Mr. Hongo forced to all to accept M. Chet Singh as their president. It was done so and executive committee of 8 members was formed to direct the work of Indian Independence League. The Sikhs did not dissolve their society.

The executive members of the Sikh National Society had declared to the public that this society will hear all the complaints by Sikhs and all their difficulties would be disposed without delay. All this was a false show to bluff the innocent masses and to keep them in dark. The policy of this society was either to put an obstruction before the League work or to penetrate in it so that its leaders may reach their destination in or to carry on the British policy "Divide & Rule" to make

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their British Lords Manor. At first about 150 members were registered with this society, but when the new election was held on 15th January, 1943 only about 40 members were present. Though the leaders did their best to call the ordinary members to attend the meeting. Many of them refused to attend by saying "that there is no need of this society any more," whilst the Indian Independence League is working, so no alteration was made in the Office.

M. Chet Singh is the president of Sikh National Society as well Indian Independence League and so either of the two parties did not take a ~~single~~ single step onward for the interest of Indians in Shanghai or the cause of their mother land. The people are laughing at the both societies, but the Leaders never care. As the Indian Independence League is trembling about, the Sikh National Society is using all their intrigues for the registration of their society.

Harain Singh S.D. 406

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SUBJECT: Sikh National Society

Sikh National Society was established on 24-7-42. Prior to the formation of the said society, there were two groups of Sikhs Majah and Malwa. These two groups were functioning together in Sikh Temple, 330 Paoshing Road. There have been serious clashes between Majah and Malwa in 1936 which resulted the deportation of several Sikhs from Shanghai and a few were sentenced to various terms of imprisonment by the British Court. The cause of the whole trouble was to gain domination in the management of the Sikh Temple, 330 Paoshing Road.

In order to avoid the further trouble each group built its own temple. Malwa purchased a house 162 Mohawk Road and Majah bought a house on Chusan Road and carried on their religious work in temples.

In last year, having realised the difficulties of the future some of the wise Sikhs advised them to form one body. Sikhs were desirous to remove the friction between Majah and Malwa, therefore all agreed to join into one body.

The Sikh National Society was formed on 24-7-42 and the friction between two groups which was existing for a long time removed by the formation of Sikh Society. The object of the Society was to unite the all Sikhs and to work for the welfare of Sikhs and give possible sacrifice for the freedom of India.

In last year 1942, there were several associations but according to the instruction received from Mr. Ras Bihari Bose all the existing associations had to be dissolved. The heads of respective associations

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held a meeting on 22-8-42 in 157 Peshing Road and a resolution was passed to dissolve the respective associations. Sikh National Society was allowed to carry on provided the society would not handle the politics but carry on only religious work in Sikh temples.

The annual election of Sikh National Society was held on 15-1-43 in 330 Paoshing Road and report was submitted on 18-1-43. The president and treasurer of Indian Independence League S. Chet Singh and Harnam Singh are the respective president and vice president of Sikh National Society.

It has about 300 members and every member subscribes dollar a month. At present the Sikh Society tries to handle its relief work but up to now it has not got any success.

The society was not allowed to indulge in political affairs by the resolution passed on 22-8-42 and if it engages in any political affairs president S. Chet Singh, who is also the president of Indian Independence League should be held responsible for it.

I have interviewed Mr. Chet Singh and he says the Sikh Society is the supporter of Indian Independence League. The Society has 300 members whose membership forms have already been received by the president. The members of the Society are mostly Sikh watchmen.

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SUBJECT: Further to Sikh National Society

Sikh National Society consist only sikhs. It is formed to unite all local sikhs and to remove the friction between Majah and Malwa and to safeguard the interests of sikhs in Shanghai.

In India, sikhs living south of river Satluj are called Malwa and north of Satluj called Majah. In Shanghai, the area south of Soochow Creek is called Malwa and north of Soochow Creek called Majah. Sikh police is divided into Majah and Malwa. The ratio of promotion is fifty and fifty.

Though there are many religions in India but from political military and economical point of view, there are three major religions, Hindu, Mohammadans and Sikhs. Sikhs are about 1/50 of whole Indian population but they are 1/3 in Indian army.

Indian army consist of Sikhs, Mohammadans and some Hindu. Sikhs are brave soldiers and they are always in front line to give sacrifices for their mother land. The man who killed general O. Dyer in London was a Sikh. Although Sikhs are very small in the population of India but they are famous throughout India for giving sacrifices for India.

In Shanghai there were five parties and the members of all parties were almost Sikhs but the heads of the parties were Hindu or Mohammadans and they did not care for the interests fo Sikhs. For an instance, every head of the party wanted to be the president of I.I.L. with the help of Sikhs. Sikhs realized their mistake and they gained unity by forming Sikh National Society and also obtained the presidency of the I.I.L.

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of Shanghai.

The Indians of other religions wish to dissolve the Sikh Society because they do not want to see the unity of Sikhs. Indians of other religions are very jealous of Sikh Society. They only wish the Sikhs to be their tools.

I believe the Sikh National Society will never do anything against I.I.L. but spare no efforts to render all available help for the national cause. In the national meeting only Sikhs turn out in full capacity.

I have attended almost all the Indian meetings held in Shanghai since the declaration of the Pacific War. I have never seen Hindu and Mohammadans in any meeting in large numbers except few men. If Indians be called to go in front line, then you will see how many Sikhs and others will join the national army. I am sure, first of all, Sikhs would go forward. Indians procession will march on Nanking Road on 11-3-43 and there you may judge the national spirit of Sikhs and other Indians.

Bagha Singh
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SUBJECT: Re Sikh Society.

At 4 p.m. 18-12-43 the Sikh Society held its emergency meeting in 330 Paoshing Road.

Mr. Chet Singh president explained the object of the meeting and requested the members that hereafter there will be only one organization that is the I.I. League. Therefore we dissolve the Sikh Society from to-day, 18-12-43.

Almost all members were present and the meeting came to and end at 5.20 p.m.

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SUBJECT: The Birthday Celebration of Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji.

On 2-1-44, the local Sikh community celebrated the birthday ceremony of Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji in all Sikh temples from early morning till 4 a.m. In the afternoon meetings were held in all Sikh temples. Prayers were made for unity, good luck and liberty.

In the afternoon meeting held in Police Sikh temple Garden Rd. the following persons read out poems relating to the life of Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji:-

Abtar Singh
Pritham **KAOR**
Ranjit **KAOR**
Dial Singh
Head Granthi **Leoh Singh.**

Kaplan Singh S.D.C.

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